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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Japan has not yet received Russia's reply; the report that it will prove satisfactory is doubted in Tokio. —— Democratic Senators caucussed yesterday on the Bacon resolution instructing the President to adjust the claims of Colombia; no agreement was reached. —— A sister of Hon. Wm. J. Bryan died yesterday. —— Fire in a silk mill in Paterson, N. J., caused loss of $300,000. —— Mrs. Maybrick, the American woman serving a life sentence in England, for poisoning her husband has been released. —— The House of Representatives voted unanimously to strike out the provision in the Deficiency bill for the second payment of mileage. —— A horrible outrage at Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Shields assaulted and her throat cut, and her infant daughter knocked in the head by a negro man; both are expected to die. —— Baxter & Co., brokers in stocks bonds and cotton, New York city, failed; the firm claims to have capital of $300,000 and has numerous branch offices throughout the South. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy; no loans transactions; cotton inactive at 16.75c; flour quiet and unchanged; wheat—spot dull, No. 2 red 93c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 56c; oats—spot dull, No. 2 43½c; rosin steady; strained common to good $3.95@4.00; spirits turpentine weak at 63½@64c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 30.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 26 degrees: 8 P. M., 33 degrees: maximum, 43 degrees; minimum, 26 degrees; mean, 34 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 2.86 inches.

The stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Friday was 6.2 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—For North Carolina: Warmer Sunday, rain by Sunday night. Monday, fair and cooler; fresh south winds.

Port Almanac—January 31.

Sun Rises	7.02 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.26 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 24 M.
High Water at Southport	6.34 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	9.04 P. M.

If you see something grotesque go up salt creek without a paddle, it is only the alleged boom of Gen. Miles.

When a fellow's wife gets onto his curves, she catches him every time he goes out on a fly. It's most base ball times now.

Russia is still considering whether to call Japan's pat hand or to lay down her hand, shrug her shoulders and say "Taka de mon."

Cleveland says "Bryan has the stage now." The Nebraskan can play his part all he wants to, but if he expects to have full houses he will have to change his repertoire.

Col. Byran must be advocating the 16 to 1 silver idea for the West, for the South is already enjoying that ratio on cotton and all hands are kept busy counting their spondulix.

Congressman Theo. F. Klutz's main reason for declining to run for Congress is because he can't live in Washington on $5,000 a year. Machen is prepared to say that this is preposterous.

It is now said that $50,000 worth of radium will turn a black negro white. The short supply of chickens hereabouts, however, places that much radium entirely beyond the reach of any Wilmington negro.

The tremendous frosts hereabouts are like little snows. We don't know how to account for this unprecedented frosting unless the weather is onto Col. Bryan's proposition to re-affirm the Kansas City platform.

The Republican office-holders in North Carolina are flushed because Roosevelt does not want Federal office holders to attend the national convention. Here's where the negro will come in for a chance to go to Chicago.

The Lynchburg *News* protests against an early adjournment of the Virginia Legislature, while in South Carolina the people are tired of annual sessions and are going to amend the constitution so as to provide for meetings of the General Assembly every two years. North Carolina's Legislature meets every two years and everybody breathes easier when it adjourns.

Editor Click of the Hickory *Mercury* and school teachers J. W. Mouser and L. C. Huffman have been engaged in an annimated discussion of the burning question: "Do the school boys and girls between 16 and 21 do any courting at school?" We can say from experience that when boys and girls that age get together Cupid always did butt in with his quiver and darts. Boys wouldn't be boys and girls wouldn't be girls if it were otherwise.

FAILURE OF BAXTER.

Brokerage Concern With Local Office in Wilmington to the Wall Yesterday.

LOCAL INVESTORS CAUGHT.

One of Them Attaches Bank Account and Everything Else in Sight to Satisfy Claim of $1,350—Unruly Cotton Market Was the Cause.

The failure of A. B. Baxter & Company, stock brokers of New York, who have a local office and special wire from New York here, caused a ripple of excitement in the Wilmington business world yesterday. The authorized story of the downfall of that enterprising firm of speculators, which succeeded Murphy & Co. here and elsewhere a short time ago with a most encouraging prospect, is told of in the telegraphic columns of to-day's paper. They got on the wrong side of a very dangerous cotton market and yesterday's extraordinary fluctuations was the straw that broke the camel's back. They went down with a crash and the echo thereof will be heard in the South for many days. Four million dollars, they say, has been lost by them within the last three months.

It was given out soon after the failure became known here yesterday that Wilmington investors had comparatively little money on the market with Baxter & Co. As usual in such instances, however, definite news of the extent of the dealing of local speculators is exceeding hard to get at. Many lost, but in what sums, very few will ever know. Those are the things speculators do not often like to talk about.

Soon after the failure was announced Mr. A. S. Williams consulted his attorney, Cameron F. MacRae, Esq., and served an attachment upon all the office fixtures and other property of the company in Wilmington, including bank deposits in the Murchison National Bank and in the Wilmington Savings and Trust Co., the object being to recover $1,350 which he had in investments with the firm on five contracts of cotton. The amount of the bank deposits and value of other property in unknown. The attachment is followed by a suit in the Superior Court, returnable at this term, for the amount specified above. The attachment was served by the sheriff yesterday within an hour and a half after the failure of the firm and the property is now in the hands of the court.

MEETING OF COUNTY TEACHERS.

Interesting and Profitable Gathering Held Yesterday—Features of Programme.

The monthly meeting of the County Teachers' Association was well attended yesterday. The features of the programme were a paper by Miss Jennie D. Wood giving an historical sketch of the city of Wilmington, and an address by Miss Adelaide Meares upon the subject, "The Daily Preparation Which a Teacher Should Bring to the School Room." Both were very interesting and were highly entertaining and instructive.

County Superintendent Catlett, who is president of the Association, called for reports as to the results and influence the rural libraries are accomplishing. All the reports were very encouraging. The teachers from all over the county indulged in an informal discussion of school affairs generally, which was very helpful.

Among the visitors besides those who read papers were Mrs. M. L. McLeod, principal of Hemenway school; Miss Lydia Yates and Mr. W. M. Cumming, a good friend of education. Mr. Cumming made a talk to the teachers as did also Prof. Catlett. Mr. Cumming made a very kind offer to furnish a library case to any of the schools is need of one with the hope that his action would move some other enthusiastic spirit to do likewise.

Prominent Sunday School Worker.

Mr. N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, president of the State Sunday School Association, will arrive in the city this morning and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. F. Garrell, No. 404 North Third street. At 11 A. M. today he will conduct a Sunday school mass meeting in connection with the Wilmington Baptist union now in session at Brooklyn Baptist church; in the afternoon he will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A., and at night he will conduct services in the First Baptist church. He is an interesting and instructive speaker and will be heard with much pleasure by the Wilmington audiences whom he will address to-day.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clyde Line—Sailing days.
Geo. O Gaylord—Gigantic sale.
D. L. Gore Co.—Good luck deal.
J. M. Solky & Co.—An expert cutter.
John M. Bright—Strength builder.
S. & B. Solomon—Place to buy 'em.
G. R French & Sons—Shoes for men.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Great silk values
C. R., L & P. Co.—Dividend notice
Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association—New stock.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Setter pup.
Wanted—Travellers.
Notice—Board wanted.
Collie Puppies—For sale.
Sisters in Despair—Speedy relief.
Notice—Schedule to Ocean View.
J. A. Springer & Co.—Reduced prices

HI HENRY'S BIG MINSTRELS.

Coming of World-Famous Aggregation to the Academy Here To-morrow Night. Street Parade at Noon.

What Hi Henry claims to be the best minstrel show he has ever presented will appear at the Academy to-morrow night. The organization is a very large and expensive one, everything about it being of the very best, and strictly in the latest lines. It recently appeared in Chicago, Milwaukee and Indianapolis, and made the biggest hit any minstrel company has made in those cities in years, the press along the route speaking in the highest terms of the attraction. The company will present for the first time its brand new gorgeous first part with sensation electric effects, and without a doubt the finest that has ever been seen on any stage. The company is entirely new this season. Among the leading artists are Arthur Deming, the comedian, John Dove, Jas. Corrigan, the Brothers Latoy, the Bartelli Troupe of Belgian star acrobats, J. P. Moore, George B. Van, Hi Henry, the only Leona, Billy Lyons and other noted artists which space prevents mentioning. Seats are now on sale at Plummer's.

The company will arrive in its own cars from Rocky Mount this morning and will be given a place on the Coast Line yards. The big street parade, including many new and novel features will take place to-morrow at noon.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Handsome law offices are being fitted up for Herbert McClammy, Esq., in the old Court House building.

— J. M. Solky & Co. invite special notice to an attractive advertisement which they have in to-day's paper.

— During the past month the Register of Deeds issued marriage license to twelve colored couples and to seven white persons.

—J. H. Moseley has been granted a permit to erect a 3-room house on Red Cross, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets.

— The river steamer "Tar Heel" has been delivered to the new company at Elizabethtown, which recently purchased the boat.

— News reached the city yesterday of the death of T. A. Norment, Sr., a well known and highly esteemed citizen of Lumberton, N. C.

— Extra cars will leave Front and Princess streets for Ocean View at 1.30, 2:30, and 3 P. M. to-day; returning, leave Ocean View at 2, 4:45 and 5 P. M.

— Schooner "William Linthicum" arrived yesterday from Baltimore with cargo of fertilizers which she is discharging at the Wilmington Compress.

— Mr. Robert Lewis has been engaged to teach the white school in Federal Point township, which the Board of Education hopes to revive to-morrow week.

— Elder W. D. Beckom is holding a meeting at Wooster Street Second Advent church. Elder J. B. Gaskill will preach at 11 A. M. to-day and Elder Beckom at 7:30 P. M.

— By deed filed for record yesterday, dated Sept. 26th, 1899, the Mechanics' Home Association transferred to Louis J. P. Cutlar for $475, property on the east side of Tenth, 133 feet south of Queen street, 66x330 feet in size.

— News reached the city yesterday of the death of Miss Fannie Beers, of Lake Waccamaw, who has many friends in Wilmington. She had been ill with pneumonia only a few days and her death came at 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

— At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the C. R., L. & P. Co, yesterday a dividend of 5 per cent. was declared on the preferred stock of the corporation—2½ per cent. payable Feb. 10th and 2½ per cent. payable Aug. 10th, 1904.

— In the police court yesterday the evidence against Wm. Waddell, colored, charged with the larceny of chickens from Mr. C. S. Garrell, was insufficient and the defendant was discharged. Joe McClellan, colored, was fined $5 and costs for disorderly conduct.

—The river steamer "Highlander" will go on the ways at Skinner's Thursday, preparatory to being taken around to her new port of Columbia, S. C. The "Wilmington" goes on the ways Monday and it was impossible to get the "Highlander" ahead of her.

— Parties who arrived in the city yesterday told of a serious cutting affair at Pollocksville, Jones county, night before last. A liveryman named Lee was severely slashed about the neck by a young man named Koonce, who made his escape.

Bowling Alley Contest.

In an interesting and close game the "Champion Bankers" team won in the bowling contest last night with the A. C. L. team. The features of the game were the high scores by Captains Meyers and Davis. The "Bankers" broke the record for number of pins this season, their score having been 2,823, against 2,808 made by the Coast Line team. The next games played will be between Captain Davis' and the A. C. L. teams. Everybody welcome; admission free.

You can buy children's underwear at a reduction at Polvogt's this week. †

Select your embroideries from the stock of The Polvogt Co. †

TERRY MURDER TRIAL

No Progress Yesterday Further Than the Drawing of Another Special Venire.

RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY A. M.

Seven Jurors Being Held in Custody of Bailiff—Novelty of the Situation Appeals to the Public — Other Court Notes.

The Terry murder trial which was begun in the Superior Court last thing before recess for the day on Thursday and continued through Friday, is now suspended with all other business until the sheriff can summons the additional venire of 250 men ordered by Judge Ferguson upon the exhaustion of the first venire, after a selection of only seven jurors late Friday evening. Judge Ferguson has named Tuesday at 9:30 o'clock as the time for resuming the trial and members of the second venire drawn upon the opening of court yesterday morning are required to be in attendance at that time, regardless of excuses or disqualifications. The veniremen are now being summoned by an extra force of deputies and Sheriff Stedman hopes to secure a large per centage of the number, though, of course, it is impossible to get them all.

Upon the convening of court at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, pursuant to order of Judge Ferguson, Mr. John McLaurin, deputy Register of Deeds, produced the jury box in court and in open session the 250 names were drawn therefrom by a little grandson of Janitor Jordan Branch. Counsel for both sides took a list of those drawn and ere this have carefully searched the records and otherwise informed themselves as to the eligibility of every person who will be called. In case of challenge for cause, not more than half of the number will be qualified for two reasons: Either they are not freeholders or have served on the jury within the last two years. A search of the record shows that about 80 are disqualified for each cause. However, should a juror be called who is not objectionable to either side, the challenge for cause might not be exercised, in which event the juror would be sworn and placed in the box. Among the number summoned are Jailor R. M. Capps, who has the custody of the prisoner, and Dr. W. D. McMillan, county superintendent of health. It is also probable that a number of witnesses in the case are included in the list as proved to be true with the first venire.

THE SEVEN IN SEQUESTION.

It is hardly expected that the panel will be completed before Tuesday night at the earliest. In the meantime the seven jurors already selected are still in the custody of Bailiff William Sheehan and are not allowed to separate or talk with anybody outside the circle of their own little band of seven; nor will they be allowed any such privileges until the trial is over, and that will be a week or ten days yet at the least. As a break of the monotony, they will no doubt welcome the resumption of the trial and any additions to the "circle of their acquaintance" that will be made from time to time.

IN THE COURT HOUSE.

Inasmuch as members of the jury will have to sleep in the Court House anyway when the trial proper begins, the seven already chosen yesterday decided to get accustomed to that kind of life and relinquished their hotel quarters for comfortable cots and bedding ordered by the sheriff to be placed in the Court House. They are being served with their meals at the Only Restaurant and indulge themselves in a walk about the city in custody of the bailiff at opportune times. Yesterday they paid their respects at the postoffice and went up Front street for an outing. While the jurors are not enjoying the novelty of the situation, the public is. It has been a long time since the county had a murder trial before and there's something new and curious in seeing seven men walking up and down the streets in custody of an officer and squinting at their best friends when one of them attempts to say "Howdy-do." For it's unlawful, you know, for members of the jury to have any outside communication.

DEFENDANT GAVE BOND.

The defendant in the Sheridan case, who was convicted of keeping a disorderly house in the court Thursday, gave a $200 cash bond until later this week when judgment will be given by Judge Ferguson. The penalty is fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

CAPT. HOLTTUM IS BACK.

Good Ship "Tolosa" Arrived in Port for Third Voyage This Season.

Capt. Holttum is here. The popular English sea captain, who literally numbers his friends in Wilmington by the names in the city directory, arrived yesterday noon aboard the good ship "Tolosa," from Barry, Eng. The vessel is here for a third cargo of cotton this season from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son and will be here for 21 days or more—"the more, the merrier," Capt. Holttum's friends are abundantly confident. As the "Tolosa" steamed into port, Capt. Holttum fired a salute from his guns aboard and was cheerily answered by the harbor craft and industrial plants along the river. When Capt. Holttum came ashore he was literally overcome by enthusiastic welcomes.

Visit the Polvogt Co. this week; they have a silk sale. †

DANCED A PHANTOM BALL.

Novel Entertainment Given Last Night Complimentary to Miss Cantwell's Afternoon Class in Dancing.

Complimentary to her advanced afternoon class in dancing, Miss Leonora Cantwell last night in Hibernian hall, gave something new and novel in the way of an entertainment—a "Phantom Ball," in which all the participants appeared in ghostly costume, reveled in spookdom for a short while and later unmasked to share in the delights of a pretty little german. The affair was quite a success in every way; novel in its conception and perfect in its every execution. A large number of spectators were present and greatly enjoyed, with the participants, the many unique and comical situations which were brought about.

All the dancers appeared in phantom costume; the ladies not distinguishable from the gentlemen and vice versa. All the hall lights were turned off and each of the spook-like objects drifted into the room, carrying tiny candles, producing a weird effect which was added to by a slow and ghost-like march to which perfect and mournful step was admirably kept. When the march and ghost dance had been completed, the "spooks" each took a seat and one by one they choose partners for the german to follow, not knowing one or the other what fate would bring them. It had been decreed that when boy chose boy, both were doomed to bachelordom and vice versa as to the young ladies, who were to become old maids in the event of an ill choice. Then the lights went up and each ghost advanced to the centre of the room and made a comic bow to the spectators. Then followed the unmasking and a host of ludicrous situations. It all "went," however, and everybody had a good time. There were 20 or 25 couples on the floor, all of whom showed the advantage of adept training.

For the Valentine season Miss Cantwell is arranging a delightful fancy soiree in which all her classes will participate. The Saint Valentine and George Washington will be impersonated and the features will be many and pretty.

UP, UP, WENT COTTON MARKET.

Phenomenal Advance in New York and its Effect on Local Quotations.

The local cotton market advanced a quarter yesterday on the strength of the phenomenal advance in New York spot and futures, closing steady at 15½ cents. New York spot was steady at 16¼. Local receipts were only 264 bales against 845 same day last year.

There was no end of local interest in the crazy flight of the staple in New York yesterday, the failure of A. B. Baxter & Co., which had a local office and special wire here, having called attention to the fact that there was "something doing" in the big speculative centre. Reference is made elsewhere in the local and telegraphic columns of to-day's paper. Conservative people, who have watched the market, say they would not be surprised to see cotton reach 20 cents before it is all over. For once, they say, Wall street has been beaten at its own game. All the evidence appears to be in support of that theory, to say the least of it.

ACCIDENT WAS UNAVOIDABLE.

Driver Exonerated of Blame in Turning Over Fire Hose Wagon Friday.

The Fire Committee of the Board of Aldermen met yesterday afternoon at the engine house, corner of Sixth and Castle streets, and investigated the alleged reckless driving of Fireman Mike Bryan when a hose wagon was overturned at Fifth and Orange streets while responding to the alarm on account of the fire at Mr. Geo. Darden's place Friday afternoon. Chairman P. Q. Moore and Messrs. W. E. Yopp and M. G. Tiencken were present and conducted the investigation. All the evidence showed that the horses were under perfect control and had been for half a block before the accident occurred. The turn is very short at Fifth and Orange and the ground being wet and slippery, the accident was unavoidable. Driver Bryan was exonerated of any blame.

Opportunity for Investment.

Attention of the public is called to the announcement of the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association, which will open its 26th series of stock on Saturday, Feb. 6th. The subscriptions books are now open and application for stock may be made to Mr. C. C. Brown or any member of the Board of Directors, whose names appear in the advertisement.

Divorce Granted.

From a clipping forwarded by one of the parties at interest, it is noted that in Augusta last week among a batch of five divorces granted in the Superior Court there was one in the case of Mrs. Augusta E. Carroll vs. Leonard Carroll, both of whom formerly lived here. The divorce is absolute.

A Coffee Social.

A "Coffee Social" will be given by the ladies of the Howard Relief Company next Wednesday from 4 to 10 P. M. The social is for the benefit of the Piano fund, and will be given in the handsome club rooms of the company at Front and Orange streets.

Cloaks and Furs at cost this week at The Polvogt Co.'s store. †

Special silk sale at Polvogt's this week. †

ASKS FOR A HEARING

A. W. Rivenbark, Confined in Jail as Lunatic, Demands of Court an Investigation.

AN UNUSUAL PROCEEDING.

Petitioner Writes Letter to Judge Ferguson Which is Held to be Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus. Examination and Hearing.

Restrained of his liberty in the common jail of the county as the result of proceedings by a commission of lunacy, which declared him insane a week ago to-day, A. W. Rivenbark, a well known grocery salesman lately employed by Sternberger Bros., on North Front street, yesterday wrote a letter from the jail to Judge Ferguson, protesting against his confinement any longer, which letter was read and construed by the court to constitute a lawful petition for habeas corpus. Accordingly the sheriff was ordered to bring the prisoner into court with the cause of detention, which order was executed immediately. With Mr. Rivenbark came Attorney A. J. Marshall, who submitted that the petitioner was in possession of all his mental faculties, was perfectly sane and that he was being unlawfully detained upon the strength of the verdict of the commission of lunacy which had ordered the man confined until a place could be found for him in one of the State institutions for the insane. Mr. Marshall asked for a thorough investigation of his client's condition by experts, and by suggestion, until such a consultation can be had, the matter was deferred until Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The case of Mr. Rivenbark was referred to in these columns last week at the time of his confinement. The commission of lunacy, composed of Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court; Dr. T. S. Barbank, the Rivenbark family physician, and Dr. W. D. McMillan, the county physician, was called upon by Mrs. Rivenbark to make an investigation of her husband's mental condition. The commission met in due order and Mr. Rivenbark was declared a fit subject for admission into one of the State institutions for treatment. He was ordered by the commission to be confined in jail until a place could be found for him in the Eastern Hospital at Raleigh. Mr. Rivenbark is a man of strong physique and in order to confine him in jail, the deputy sheriffs to whom he was turned over, resorted to subterfuge as the easiest method of getting him to the jail. He was told that they were going to take him to his former home in Duplin county for a hunting trip, but they would have to go by the jail to borrow a gun. Once behind the prison doors, Mr. Rivenbark was locked up and he has been detained there since that time. From the report of the examination which went to Raleigh, the hospital authorities replied to an application for Mr. Rivenbark's admission there, that he could only be received as a pay patient. Further arrangements were pending when the letter of Mr. Rivenbark, written with lead pencil in petitioner's own handwriting on an ordinary sheet of note paper and with many erasures, was sent to Judge Ferguson, as follows:

MR. RIVENBARK'S LETTER.

New Hanover County Jail,
Jan. 28th, 1904.

To His Honor, Judge:

MY DEAR SIR—I, A. W. Rivenbark, of the city of Wilmington, State of North Carolina and county of New Hanover, a citizen of the aforesaid city, State and county 25 years, and who has been confined in the jail of the county of New Hanover of aforesaid State of North Carolina and city of Wilmington since Sunday, Jan. 24th, 1904, being of sound mind and body in his own opinion, do humbly petition and pray to His Honor, the Judge, to have me brought before the court and grand jury now in session that I may stand before His Honor, the judge, jury and my God and country and find for what reason I am in prison that I may answer, acknowledge or deny as the case may be. I claim that I was kidnapped and put in prison by ——— ——— ——— and demanded at prison door of office as follows:

Question 1: "Officers, what does this mean?" "Am I under arrest?" Answer: "You are."

Question 2: "Have you a warrant or papers?" Answer: "No."

"Then be careful, gentlemen, what you do and keep your hands off me, for I am an American citizen, a God-fearing man and law abiding citizen and unless you exhibit a warrant or papers for my arrest and for what crime charged, if I am confined in jail to-night, I go in under protest. Officers, *I will not resist and am at your command.*"

I was locked in a cell and have been here since. Your humble petitioner demands that this petition be answered at once that he may have some consideration.

A. W. RIVENBARK, Petitioner.

I am losing my health by being confined in prison.

JUDGE FERGUSON'S ORDER.

Immediately after the reading of the petitioner's letter, Judge Ferguson made the order for habeas corpus as follows:

State of North Carolina,
New Hanover County.

To the Sheriff of New Hanover County, Greeting:

It being made to appear to the undersigned judge of the Superior Court of the State of North Carolina by the petition of A. W. Rivenbark that he, the said Rivenbark, is confined in your custody, and the said Rivenbark having alleged in his said petition that he is unlawfully restrained of his liberty and has prayed that he be brought before me to the end that the lawful cause of his restraint may be inquired into, you are therefore commanded that you have the said A. W. Rivenbark personally before me at 3 P. M., this day at the Court House in New Hanover, together with the cause of his detention, to the end the matter may be inquired into and such proceedings had as the law directs.

G. S. FERGUSON,
Judge of the Superior Court.

SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS.

The subsequent proceedings have been told of above. A summons was issued for Dr. A. H. Harriss, Dr. T. S. Burbank, Dr. C. D. Bell and Dr. W. D. McMillan to arrange to meet at noon to-day at the county jail, and then and there and thereafter consult together and examine into the mental condition of Mr. Rivenbark and report their opinion to the court to-morrow at 3 P. M.

The case is attracting much attention in the city where Mr. Rivenbark is widely known.

SHOOTING AFFAIR AT NAVASSA.

Sam Callaway, Notorious Negro, Shot in the Leg—An Arrest Followed.

Two participants in a shooting affair which occurred at Navassa last night were brought to the city on the Charleston train this morning, the one to be lodged in jail until he can be sent to Southport and the other for transfer to the hospital. The wounded negro is Sam Callaway, who shot and came near fatally wounding Mr. B. F. Penny at Leland, N. C., some time ago, the result of which was a short term in the penitentiary for Callaway and a big suit against the railroad by Mr. Penny, and the negro who did the shooting is Dan Baker. They were brought over to the city by Floy McKoy, colored, the arrest having been made by Mr. L. L. Boon, a superintendent for the Navassa Guano Co. Baker was given a berth in the station house and Callaway was sent to the hospital.

The negroes, with a crowd of others, spent yesterday in Wilmington and went home on the 9 o'clock Seaboard train. As soon as they alighted on their native heath at Navassa they were all more or less drunk and began fighting. The shooting followed. Callaway claims that he was a bystander. The bullet entered his leg between the knee and foot.

THE WILMINGTON BAPTIST UNION.

Sessions Continued Yesterday With Great Interest—Programme for To-day.

The Wilmington Baptist Union continued its services at Brooklyn Baptist church yesterday with increasing interest. In the morning at 11 o'clock Rev. J. W. Wheeler and others discussed Associational Missions and at 7:30 o'clock Rev. M. C. Walton and others spoke on General Sunday school work.

The services to-day will be unusually interesting and the public is cordially invited. At 11 o'clock a Sunday school mass meeting will be conducted by Mr. N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh. There will also be other speakers and a general rally will take the place of the usual morning sermon. At 3:30 o'clock a special Sunday school service will be held and special consideration will be given to the lesson. At 7:30 P. M. Rev. M. C. Walton, of Burgaw, will preach. Mr. Walton is one of the best known Baptist preachers in the Wilmington Association. He is a fine talker and a consecrated good man. It will be a genuine pleasure to hear him.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. A. V. Smith, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.

— Mr. E. A. Taylor, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.

— T. W. Davis, Esq., went to Kenansville yesterday.

— Capt. F. B. Rice arrived yesterday from Conway, S. C.

— Mrs. G. W. Cole and family have returned from a visit to relatives in Texas.

— Mrs. Ike Harris, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Julius Hahn.

— E. M. Koonce, Esq. of Jacksonville, and Messrs. David J. Lewis and J. B. Schulken, of counsel for the State and defence in the Terry murder trial, went home yesterday to spend Sunday, but will return to-morrow.

Thirty-six inches warranted black taffetta, only $1 per yard this week at Polvogt's. †

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THE JABEL REGISTER APPEAL.

His Mother and Sister in Raleigh to Petition for Executive Clemency.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, Jan. 30.—The mother and sister of Jabel Register, who is to be hanged at Whiteville, Feb. 25th, arrived this morning and will appeal to Governor Aycock for executive clemency Monday, the date the Governor has set to hear counsel for Register on their request that the death sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. Register is convicted of killing Jesse Soles and Jim Staley. His counsel are Hon. John D. Bellamy, C. M. Bernard and Donald McRackan, Esq.

Female Convicts Escaped.

Deputy Sheriff Hogan, who is a guard at the convict camp at Castle Haynes, made a lucky capture of three negro women who escaped from the stockade last night about 7 o'clock. They had reached town as far as Smith's Creek bridge at 1 o'clock this morning, when they were overtaken by the guard, brought to the police station and will be returned this morning.

The Best Ever Bought.

In speaking of the hose recently bought by the fire committee of the Board of Alderman, Chairman Moore said yesterday that the material is the best gum and wax-treated goods that can be bought. The award this time at 68 cents was for less money than the same material was ever bought before. Some of the same hose is now in use, for which the city paid 80 cents per foot.

City Hall Heated by Steam.

Machinists from the shops of Contractor C. M. Whitlock yesterday completed the installation of the new heating plant for the City Hall and steam was turned on yesterday afternoon for the first time. It will be several days, however, before the test is completed and the work is accepted by the Public Building Committee of the Board of Aldermen.

Clubbed Bad Negro.

Frank Hill, an obstreperous negro arrested at 9 o'clock last night for disorderly conduct at Third and Brunswick, resisted Officer H. P. Merritt and was whacked several times across the head by the policeman. Dr. Harper had to be called upon to patch up the negro's anatomy.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dividend Notice.

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Company a dividend of 5 per cent. was declared on the preferred stock—2½ per cent. payable Feb. 10th and 2½ per cent. payable Aug 10th, 1904.

H. WOOLLCOTT, Secretary.

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SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31.

OUR RIVER AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENT.

The Harbor, Shipping and Commerce Committee of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, at a special meeting on Friday, unanimously decided to invite Representative Burton, chairman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the United States Congress, to visit Wilmington as the guest of the Chamber of Commerce.

The object of the invitation to Chairman Burton is to enlist his support in carrying out the plans which Congress has already adopted for the improvement of the Cape Fear river and bar. The committee instructed Secretary Kyle of the Chamber of Commerce to extend the invitation and to write to the North Carolina senators and representative at Washington to ask them to join the Chamber in extending the invitation to Chairman Burton.

The large and growing shipping interests in Wilmington make it imperative to carry out the government improvements already begun here, and any delay in doing so will be greatly detrimental to the work already done and prove disastrous to the prospects for enlarged commerce for our port.

We fear, however, that the enterprising and public-spirited gentlemen representing the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce will be disappointed, as news sent out from Washington already intimates that there will be no appropriation for rivers and harbors at this session of Congress. Information is also sent out from Washington that projects for public buildings will also receive no attention.

The Republican Congress has been so extravagant in its expenditures that public works of great benefit and utility will suffer, and then again it is a campaign year, and the Republican party is determined not to run the risk of adding to the already enormous expenditures under the Roosevelt administration. Once before the appropriation for rivers and harbors was lopped off by a Republican Congress, and all remember how detrimental it was to the government work which was doing so much in the way of deepening our river and bar.

Under the title of "A Wise River and Harbor Policy," the Baltimore *American* says this about a new plan of making appropriations:

The House committee has now announced its policy of reporting appropriations for river and harbor improvements only where the local communities to be chiefly benefited also show a disposition to do some improving on their own account. This is unquestionably a good policy. Had it been adopted years ago, and consistently adhered to, the "pork" grabbing, which has been a scandal in one Congress after the other, would not have reached the dimensions that make them a horror to the conscientious Congressman. Members of the House would find little nome encouragement to ask for a liberal appropriation for an unnavigable stream if the terms of the grant required a substantial expenditure of town funds.

THE SOURCE OF EARTHLY WISDOM.

The Richmond *News-Leader* says:

"It a deplorable but obvious fact that the great mass of children of the oncoming generations are ignorant of the Bible absolutely. It is startling to find among cultivated families young men and women who are up in Henry James and W. D. Howells and all the froth, flap doodle and literary whey and syllabum, who gabble glibly of literature and have smatterings of modern languages, and who cannot intelligently discuss any Bible character, point of Bible history or feature of Bible literature. As a matter of fact, knowledge of the Bible, familiarity with it, is an essential for cultivation and for any well-equipped mind."

Readers of books make a great mistake, not to mention that they fail to perform a duty, when they do not read the Bible. It contains more wisdom than all other books combined and the man who is familiar with it is better equipped for life's duties and is better prepared as a speaker and writer than any other man.

At one period in a man's life he also finds out that it is a good book to live by. The knowledge imparted, the precepts inculcated, and the examples of life given in the Bible make it valuable to man, even though he should dispute the idea of its inspiration. It is a true guide for life, it is more entertaining than a novel, and the more a man reads it the wiser he becomes. The aptest illustrations in oratory and writings to-day are those made from a Biblical standpoint.

The best men and women in the land are those who read and study the Bible, and the happiest homes in the universe are those where the enlightening influences of the Good Book are felt. If you would get wisdom, read the Bible.

A Very Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa, "but was weak and pale, without any appetite, and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run-down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c a bottle. †

SISTER MURPHY.

The STAR a few days ago received a poem from a local contributor, but we didn't publish it because the writer wanted to get it inserted at less than our radium rates. The poet went out with a threat that he would send it to the Atlanta *Constitution* and get it in that paper next to reading matter.

The STAR is always glad to encourage talent but when a Wilmington poet's Pegassus gets to pawing up the earth, the poem strings out too long for our limited space.

The Washington *Post* gives way to exultation in a spirit of "local pride and emotional admiration" because a poet at the nation's capital has sent in a short poem like this one, which we commend to other poets because it takes only the two verse route:

"I was personally acquainted with
Sister Murphy.
And if Trinity record you will
search,
No greater worker, male or female,
Can be found in the A. M. E.
Church.

"Sister Murphy is happy now in the
kingdom;
She is singing with the redeemed;
Look at her before the majestic throne,
Drinking from the placid stream!"

CUT OUT FOR A SENATOR.

Dr. A. J. McKelway, editor of the Charlotte *News*, recently wrote from Washington that "Senator Overman, of North Carolina, looks as much like a senator—an ideal senator—as any man in the body, and is rapidly becoming respected both for his ability and his character."

It is a curious fact that many citizens of Wilmington picked Overman out for senator on account of his looks, while the several candidates were campaining for the nomination for senator a couple of years ago. One gentleman said to us when Overman got up to speak for the nomination that he had the senatorial stamp on his face, and that settled it.

THE PUBLIC SAFETY.

Considerable attention is now being given to public safety all over the country. At Scranton, Penn., on Thursday, the Department of Public Safety condemned three cars of the Scranton Railway Company because they had flat wheels and were unsanitary. The railroad company attempted to put one of the cars back into service with the result that the car was taken back to the barn under a police guard and the conductor and motorman were arrested and fined $25 each.

Close attention by railroad officials and employes and vigilance on the part of civil officials may prevent many an accident and save many a life. It is time for us to get a scare on us in these days of appalling slaughter of the human race.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The four staunch congressmen who stand for perpetual Bryanism deserve free subscriptions to the *Commoner*.—*Atlanta Journal.*

—— John Sharp Williams says he does not know what a straight flush is. No wonder the poor man is only a minority leader.—*Portsmouth Star.*

—— Mr. Bryan opened his mouth about the K. C. platform just when nearly every Democrat had a brickbat handy to fling into the aforesaid opening.—*Macon Telegraph.*

—— Senator Morgan says it is now impossible to undo what has been done in Panama. Then what is the use of howling about it any further?—*Kansas City Journal.*

—— It seems that a gigantic land fraud, too, has been uncovered by one of the Federal departments at Washington. This is running crookedness into the ground—*Birmingham News, Dem.*

—— President Hadley says no poor man should enter politics. How is the politician to get in then? He can't get rich until he gets in, and if he can't get in until he gets rich, he would be barred forever.—*Memphis Commercial-Appeal.*

—— John Sharp Williams has written a magazine article on "What Democracy Stands For." It is up to Mr. Bryan to write one on "What the Democracy Will Not Stand For."—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Republicans who were some months ago talking loudly about the necessity for financial legislation have become singularly quiet since Congress convened, and it is announced from Washington that Speaker Cannon considers it "inadvisable at this time" to amend present laws. Their reforms are always for future delivery.—*Columbia State.*

—— If service pensions became the rule in this country, would the United States dare to go into a war again, except as a matter of life or death? Then, too, are the men who never heard a shot fired in anger to be as well treated as those who fought and bled, and were disabled? The service pension bill will place the home guard, the gallant umbrella brigade, on a footing with the bravest of the brave.—*New York Evening Sun.*

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TWINKLINGS

—"There is a good deal of talk to the effect that the duke will marry in America." "Yes, the money of at least a dozen heiresses is talking all at once."

— Balty Moore—So Miss Hazbeene looks the part, does she? Calvert, Jr.—I should say. She looks as left-over as an un-sold Christmas tree on Jan. 3.—*Baltimore American.*

— Somebody clever at figures has found out that the Weather Bureau has cost us about 2 cents apiece during the present year. And just think what a lot of weather you get for this insignificant sum.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— It's a well known fact," said the man who is fond of airing odd bits of knowledge, "that there is as much strength in a couple of eggs as in a pound of beef." "Huh!" snorted the actor, "I've encountered eggs that were stronger than any pound of beef could possibly be."

— Willie (looking up from his book)—Pa, the word "cap" doesn't always mean a cap, does it? Pa—What on earth are you talking about? Willie—Why, I mean the word "cap" sometimes stands for "with," doesn't it Here's something about a "gallant knight armed cap-a-pie."

— "But," protested the broker, who had advertised for a confidential clerk, "you want too much salary." "I've had a great deal of experience in the brokerage business," urged the applicant. "But you ask too much for it." "My dear sir, I assure you I'm offering it to you for much less than it cost me."

— "Mr. Newlived," began the man. "I have called——" "See here!" interrupted the young bridegroom, who was just installed in his new house, "are you another one of these insurance agents?" "Not all. Learning that you and your wife are keeping house together. I have called to interest you in Wiggin's Dyspepsia Tabules."

Low Round Trip Rates Via Atlantic Coast Line.

Mobile, Ala.—$23.20 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. On payment of 50 cents an extension of limit to March 5th may be secured.

Pensacola, Fla.—$22.70 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at Pensacola and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be obtained.

New Orleans, La.—$25.35 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at New Orleans and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be secured. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

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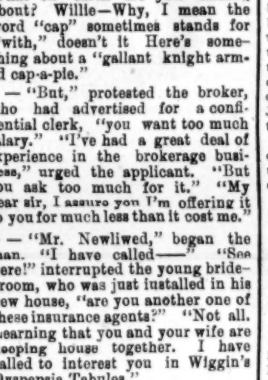

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THE GRAVE IN THE CELLAR

(Original.)

Tom O'Neill was a fool and a mason. He had married Jenny Cone, the girl of his choice before he had put by any regular money and since he could not always get work was not prosperous. There is an old saying, "A fool for luck and a poor man for children," and Tom certainly illustrated the last part of the adage.

One night after Tom and his family had gone to bed there came a rap at his door. On opening it he saw a man who looked more like a rag picker than anything else standing at the door. He asked Tom if he was not a mason. When Tom replied that he was the man asked him if he would do a job of work for him that night. Since there was nothing in the house for breakfast and the stranger agreed to pay him $2 if he would work until morning, Tom agreed, whereupon taking his tools, he went out with the man, who after blindfolding him led him about in a tortuous course and into a small cellar, where he removed the bandage. The place was lighted by a candle.

"I want you to take up a portion of the cement floor and dig a grave," said the man.

Tom set to work, took up an oblong portion of the floor and dug a grave 6 feet by 2. Then the rag picker mounted a flight of steps, opened a door and shoved the end of a pine coffin shaped box through the opening. Tom took hold, and the two carried the box and lowered it into the grave.

A barrel of cement stood ready, with everything needful for mixing it. Tom was directed to lay the floor, smoothing it so that when the cement had become old no one would notice that the floor had been disturbed. Tom, who was suspicious that a murder had been committed, looked about him to discover something by which he might identify the cellar, though there was no probability of his ever coming into it again. There was absolutely nothing unusual in the place, and all Tom could do when the rag picker's back was turned was to make a cross on the newly laid cement with the sharp blade of his knife. When the job was finished the rag picker blindfolded Tom again and led him out of the cellar. After taking him over a winding course finally the rag picker said:

"I am going to leave you now. Count 500, and when you have done so take off the bandage. If you remove it before you have made the count you will be a dead man. You will find on the ground something worth much more to you than the sum I agreed to pay you."

Tom counted 500, then, after considerable delay, removed his bandage. On the ground before him was a piece of paper on which was written in pencil:

"Always get at least a portion of your pay before doing work."

Ten years passed. Tom remembered the rag picker's advice and would have profited by it, but there was so little work to do that he was obliged to take his chances for pay. He was turned out of one house after another till he brought up in a deserted hovel on a lonely road. It was an autumn day when the family went there, and Jenny sat down on a stump and began to cry.

"Never mind, dear girl," said Tom cheerfully; "fools are usually cheerful under misfortune. It's darkest before day. Maybe something will turn up."

"Or down," added the wife, with a fresh burst of tears.

Tom, who was never idle when there was work to do, set about gathering the fallen wood lying about, which he carried into the cellar. After carrying in the first load he came out with a singular expression on his face and asked his wife for a small hand magnifying glass that his youngest boy had used for a plaything. The glass was given him, and he returned to the cellar. Presently he went upstairs and told his wife that they were in the house where he had helped make a burial.

Jenny was depressed anew at having to live over a corpse and declared that she would not go to bed that night till Tom had taken the horrid thing up and buried it in the wood. Tom, who was a patient fellow, first prepared a new burial place, then opened the grave in the cellar and after much difficulty (for Jenny could not be bought to help him) got the box, much rotted, out of its resting place and carried it part way up the steps to the cellar door. There it slipped away from him and fell with a crash to the floor, breaking to pieces.

Tom turned round, expecting to see a ghastly corpse, but instead saw several coins rolling over the floor. Seizing an ax, he completed the destruction of the box and found that it was full of gold pieces.

"Jenny," he cried, "come here. The coffin's broken, and the corpse is rolling about on the floor!"

Jenny gave a shriek, but a morbid fascination which impels people to look at awful sights led her to the cellar door, and the sunlight shooting through a small window showed her the shining gold.

Inquiry revealed to Tom that the house had once been habited by a rag picker who was suspected of being a miser. But the man was dead, and no one knew who he was or whether he had any relatives.

Tom bought the house and gradually replaced and enlarged the space it occupied. His wife and children were well dressed, and general prosperity reigned in the family. No one knows where Tom got his funds, and no one can find out, for he is his own banker, and his bank is a grave in his cellar.

F. A. MITCHEL.

For the month of February, 1902, the government collected $209,192 internal revenue taxes on oleomargarine. In February, 1903, the collections were only $53,913, a decrease of $155,279. The law is evidently getting in its work.

We have many inquiries as to when is the best time to trim and prune fruit trees. We think the best time is during the early summer, when the sap is in full flow, as then any wounds made in pruning very quickly heal over. However, it is all right to cut out water sprouts at any time.

A brighter day seems to be dawning for Ireland, so long under the curse of British landlordism. Steps are being taken to enable the tenants to buy the land, and with land ownership will surely come at least as large a measure of agricultural prosperity for the common people as prevails among the peasantry of France and Germany.

A friend filled a silo last fall, size 18 by 36 feet and 20 feet in height, making it out of an old building which he had on the farm. This was a bad shape and a bad size, and he lost more than 20 per cent of his silage. Being built with square corners and such a large surface, the air got in its bad work. He had another round silo fourteen feet in diameter and thirty feet in height, where the loss was little or nothing.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St Thomas' church: First mass 7 A. M. high mass, sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers, sermon, 7:45 P. M.

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The Hardened Cynic.

"I have noticed," said the hardened cynic, "that about the time a man's children get to be almost half as bad as he was when he was a boy he begins to howl about the world's growing worse."—Baltimore American.

Reciprocity.

Crawford—Why do lovers just sit and sit in blissful silence?

Crabshaw—Because as a general thing there isn't room for either of them to get a word in edgeways.—Judge.

Her Girl Friends.

"Did you notice what a peculiar walk Laura is cultivating?"

"Yes. Poor girl, she is determined to attract attention some way."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., January 31.

STEAMERS.

Toloss, (Br) 2,099 tons, Holtum, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Coys, (Br) 1,945 tons, Thomas, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

William Linthicum, 146 tons, Hitchens, C D Maffitt.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Maffitt.

Brine P Pendleton, 821 tons, Hutchinson, C D Maffitt.

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M C Haskell, 399 tons, Wingfield, C D Maffitt.

Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, J T Riley & Co.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Maffitt.

Jno J Hansen, 556 tons, Wood, C D Maffitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—185 bales cotton.

W. & W. Railroad—81 bales cotton, 12 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 37 barrels tar, 41 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—15 bales cotton.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—1 bale cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 67 barrels rosin, 49 barrels tar.

Steamer Sanders—5 bales cotton, 38 barrels tar.

Schooner J. C. Allen—2 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 43 barrels rosin, 48 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—264 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 110 barrel rosin, 184 barrels tar, 72 barrels crude turpentine.

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J. E. Bloodworth, residing at 30 South Front street and employed at 123 Princess street, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they have proven to be a very valuable remedy and I believe I am safe in recommending them. My back and kidneys have given me great trouble. I thought I had rheumatism. I had shooting pains through my back and side which often made me yell right out. If I stood, sat or lay down or kept in any one position for any length of time it was almost impossible for me to move on account of the great pain. I heard some one speak in praise of Doan's Kidney Pills and I sent down to Bellamy's drug store and got a box. They completely knocked the pains out of me. They are, without doubt, a valuable remedy for backache."

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing of the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, January 30.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 60c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.45 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 59c; rosin firm at $1.45@1.50; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.00, 3.50@3.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	10
Rosin	110
Tar	184
Crude turpentine	72

Receipts same day last year—10 casks spirits turpentine, 38 barrels rosin, 278 barrels tar, 54 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 15¼c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 8½c for middling.

Receipts—264 bales; same day last year, 845.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 87½c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 75c; extra prime, 80c; fancy, 85c. Spanish 95c.

CORN—Firm; 67½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3¼c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Money on call was easy; no loans transactions; time loans steadier; sixty days 3¾ per cent.; ninety days 4 per cent; six months 4@4¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5¼ per ct. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.50@485.55 for demand and at 482.90@483 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 483½@484 and 486½@487. Commercial bills 483@483¼. Bar silver 55⅝. Mexican dollars 42¾. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, 107; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons 133½; U.S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107½; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107½; U.S. 5's, registered, 101½; do. coupon, 101½; Southern Railway, 5's, 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 91; Chesapeake & Ohio 34; Manhattan L 143¼; New York Central 119¾; Reading 45½; do. 1st preferred 79¾; do. 2nd preferred 61; St. Paul 144¼; do. pref'd, 177; Southern Railway 22½; do. pref'd 83¾; Amalgamated Copper 47⅞; People's Gas 100⅝; Tennessee Coal and Iron 38; U. S. Leather 7¼; U. S. Leather, preferred, 78¼; Western Union 88; U. S. Steel 10⅝; do. preferred 54⅞; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 33¾; sales—shares; do. preferred, closed 105; sales—shares. Standard Oil 662.

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 30.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 9¼@10; do. preferred, —; do. bonds, fours, —. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 109¼@109¾; do. preferred, —.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Rosin steady. Strained common to good $2 95@3 00. Spirits turpentine weak at 63¼@64c.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 30.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Jan. 30.—Spirits turpentine was quiet at 61c; receipts 109 casks; sales 19 casks; exports 408 casks. Rosin was quiet; receipts 3,700 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 1,261 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 75; D, $2 75; E, $2 85; F, $2 85; G, $2 95; H, $3 15; I, $3 30; K, $3 35; M, $3 90; N, $3 95; W G, $4 20; W W $4 50.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Never before has such an advance as that of this morning been witnessed over night in the cotton market and perhaps never before has the market shown such wild excitement. Cables from Liverpool were spectacular. They reported an advance of twenty-nine to thirty-three and a half points when they were expected to be five and a half and ten points lower. There were sensational advices from Liverpool also mentioning a corner in January-February, with excited buying on stock orders and rumors circulating regarding the condition of Continental, Liverpool and American houses. Here, first prices were at an advance of forty-two to eighty-one points on the old and twelve to forty-eight on the new crop months. March, which closed last night at 15.82, opened at 16.25 and sold up to 16.42 on the call. May, after closing yesterday at 16.04, advanced to 16.63, and July, closing at 16.55, opened at 16.80. There was heavy liquidation and immediately following the call prices sagged off a few points, but the market remained very excited with trading tremendously active. The liquidation following the call carried the active months down from twenty-two to twenty-six points, with March selling at 16.20, May at 16.50 and July 16.66. But at this point there was some support and the market was forced up to a still higher level, with March reaching 16.45, May, 16.77 and July 16.90, a net advance on this month of seventy-two to seventy-five points. The close was at the near top and July, with nearer positions at fifty-seven to seventy-five points up and later months two to eight points net higher. The sales of the day were estimated at 400,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Cotton inactive at 16.75c; net receipts — bales; gross receipts 5,183 bales; stock 73,564 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 16.15, March 16.39, April 16.60, May 16.76, June 16.80, July 16.88, August 16.00, September 13.80, October 12.90, December 12.40.

Spot cotton closed inactive and 70 points higher; middling uplands 16.75; middling gulf 17.00c; sales — bales.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 33,243 bales; exports to Great Britain 13,034 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 8,523 bales; stock 754,759 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 322,243 bales; exports to Great Britain 12,033 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 8,523 bales; exports to Japan — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,969,944 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,789,336 bales; exports to France 586,843 bales; exports to the Continent 2,018,563 bales; exports to Japan 34,409 bales; exports to Mexico 20,346 bales.

Jan 30.—Galveston, steady at 15¾; net receipts 6,715 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 700 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 16.75c, net receipts 6,428 bales; Boston, quiet at 16.75, net receipts 1,009 bales; Wilmington, steady at 15c, net receipts 264 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 17c, net receipts 293 bales; Savannah, quiet at 15⅞c, net receipts 3,665 bales; New Orleans, firm at 15 15-16c, net receipts 13,068 bales; Mobile, steady at 15¾, net receipts 688 bales; Memphis, firmat 16c, net receipts 1,475 bales; Augusta, steady at 16¼c, net receipts 505 bales; Charleston, firm at 15¾c, net receipts 48 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Flour was quiet and unchanged: Minnesota patents $4 70@5 00; winter patents $4 35@4 65; Minnesota bakers' $3 90@4 20. Rye flour strong; fair to good $3 40@3 45. Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red 93c. Options—May closed 92¾c; July closed 87¼c; September 81¼c. Corn—Spot quiet; No. 2 56c. The option market closed dull at ⅛@¼c net decline: May closed 56½c; July 54¾. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2 45¼c. Lard easy: Western steam $7 50; refined dull; compound 6¼@6¾c; continent —. Butter was firm; extra creamery 23½c; State dairy 14@19. Cheese quiet; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 13; late made 10¾; small white, September 13; late made 10¾. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania nearby average best 33c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5@5½; other domestic 3¾@6c. Potatoes firm: Long Island $3 00@3 50; Jerseys $3 75@3 00; Jersey sweets $1 50@2 50; State and Western sacks $2 40@2 60. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $20 00@25 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Pork quiet; family $15 00@15 50; short clear $13 75@16 00; mess $14 50@15 00. Molasses firm; Orleans open kettle, good to choice 31@37. Tallow steady; city ($2 per package) 5c; country (package free) 5@5½c. Rice steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@5¼c. Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 2 13-16c; centrifugal 96 test 3 5-16c; molasses sugar 2 9-16c; refined quiet: confectioner's A $4 25; mould A $4 75; cut loaf $5 10; crushed $5 10; powdered $4 50; granulated $4 40; cubes $4 65. Cotton seed oil was quiet but rather strong on bullish Southern markets: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 30@30½c; prime summer yellow 37½@38c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 40c; prime winter yellow 40@42c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—The less belligerent tone of news from the Orient was the main influence in the wheat pit to-day. Small holders took profits, causing a decline of nearly a cent in both the July and May deliveries. Some of the loss was regained but the close was weak with May 1@1c below last night's final figures. May corn closed ¼@½c lower, but oats were up ½c. Provisions were 7½@30c lower.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Cash prices: Flour—The market was steady at quotations: winter patents $4 20@4 50; straights $4 00@4 20; spring patents $4 10@4 50; straights $3 60@4 00; bakers' $3 40@3 20. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 78@87c; No. 2 red 88¾@93¾c. Corn—No. 2 48¼c; No. 2 yellow 48c. Oats—No. 2 40@40½c; No. 3 white —c; No. 3 white 40½@43c. Rye—No. 2 57c. Mess pork, per bbl. $13 00. Lard, per 100 lb, $7 10@7 15. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, —. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 90¾, 90¾, 89¾, 90¼@90¾c; July 82¾, 83¼, 82, 82¾c; September 78, 78, 77¼, 77¾c. Corn—No. 2 May 50¼, 50¾, 50, 50¼c; January 46¾c; July 48¼, 48¾@48¾, 48¼, 48¼. Oats—No. 2 January 40; May 43, 43¼, 42¾, 43¼c; July 38, 38@, 37½, 38c. Mess pork, per bbl.—May $13 37½, 13 30, 12 97½, 13 02½. Lard, per 100 lb—January $7 10; May $7 42½, 7 42½, 7 30, 7 30, 7 30c; July $7 42½, 7 43½, 7 32½, 7 32. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 70, 6 70, 6 60, 6 62½; July 82½, 6 82½, 6 72½, 6 72½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Coffee—Spot Rio firm; No. 7 invoice 9c; mild steady; Cordova 8¼@13¼. The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance of 5@10 points on the general list. The advance was due to the continued good buying from leading cotton exchange and Wall street houses. The market closed steady at 5@10 points higher. Sales 138,000 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 29.—Cotton: Sp

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Statement of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from Report to State Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.		
Loans and Discounts	916,850.15	Capital	$ 25,000.00	
Cash on hand and due from banks	218,550 57	Net Surplus	77,474.63	1,102,474 63
Real estate	1,900.00	Deposits		1,084,628 09
Furniture and Fixtures	$2.00 1,902.00			
Total	$1,187,332 72	Total		$1,187,332.72

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J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President

C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

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The Murchison National Bank,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,090,218 50	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	300,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,041 46
Bank Building	39,800 00	Circulation	270,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663 768 89	Deposits	1,520,436 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,123,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.

Jan. 22nd, 1902, $657,356 76. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,872 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,520,436 33.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Durham *Herald*: The politicians will shed no tears for the poor mill people who are thrown out of work because of 15-cent cotton.

— She—Why do they refer to women as the weaker sex? He—Because it takes one of 'em a week or two to make up her mind, I guess. —*Houston Chronicle.*

—The Supreme Court will on Monday examine applicants for license as attorneys. So far 21 applicants have registered. The class is not usually so large in spring as it is in the fall.

—Smallpox is interfering somewhat with the public schools in two or three counties, these being the ones in which there was the same sort of troubles last year.

— A weather sharp writing from Blackburn to the Hickory *Mercury* says wild geese have gone North and the Winter "is broke," except on the 19th and 20th of next month.

— "I don't see the sense in speaking of a man as 'blind drunk.'" "Why not? It simply means he's so drunk that he can't see." "But no man is ever so drunk that he can't see. If he's very, very drunk he can see snakes."

Private Secretary to the Governor, P. M. Bearsall, at Raleigh, and Major W. Hopton Smith, of Goldsboro, who have been at St. Augustine, Fla., attending the general convention of the National Guard Association of the United States, have gone to Nassau in the West Indies, to enjoy some Summer weather.

— Kinston *Free Press*, Jan. 28: It is reported that there are several cases of smallpox in Goldsboro and that two of the postoffice force there are afflicted with the disease. It is reported that Mr. E. A. Simkins, formerly of this city, who is a member of the postoffice force at Goldsboro, is one of those who are stricken with the fearful scourge.

— Salisbury *Sun*, Jan. 28th: Col. A. H. Boyden, who has been urged to make the race for Congress in this (the 8th) district to succeed Hon. Theo. F. Klutz, who has announced his intention of retiring, has had numerous solicitations from parties outside of Rowan to become a candidate. Mr. Boyden was seen to-day but he was not prepared to say whether or not he would make the race.

— Among the charters granted by the State Friday, were that of the Union Co-operative and Investment Company, of Tarboro and the Statesville Implement and Supply Company. The capital stock of the of the last named company is $25,000. The State authorized the Bayboro Land & Lumber Company, of Bayboro, Pamlico county, to increase its capital stock from $125,000 to $250,000.

— Winston *Sentinel*: Who will be aspirants for the Democratic nomination in the Eighth this fall? The answer is W. C. Newland and ex-Congressman W. H. Bower. One political forecaster said: "I should not be surprised if the Democrats should name Bower and the Republicans Linney. The two mountain politicians have made two joint campaigns when Forsyth was in their district. Bower won in the first contest and the 'Bull of the Brushes' in the second. Both are entertaining stump orators."

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Under the head "The Model Gentleman," *Webster's Weekly* reproduces the tribute paid Major Stedman by Mr. I. E. Avery, which we printed last week, and justly adds: "No one who knows Major Stedman will say that the above is fulsome praise, for he richly deserves all the handsome things said of him and more. He is the soul of courtesy, and to know him is to esteem him. His friends—and they are legion—are determined to make him Governor, for the State is his debtor along many lines. He is a man of commanding ability and has the strength, poise and all the qualifications necessary to make a great Governor."

— Fayetteville *Observer*, Jan. 28: Replying to a question from the reporter this morning as to work on the plant of the Cape Fear Electric Power Company, Capt. R. P. Gray said he had nothing to give out farther than to say generally that progress was satisfactory—which means something from Capt. Gray. The sub-station at this city, on North Blount street, will be put up in due time. This is of course a small part of the plant, but it indicates that the power is coming. —— Mr. F. R. Rose has commendably exerted himself within the past few days to have the convenience of house to house free mail delivery extended to the citizens residing on Haymount, and Mr. Wright will offer an opportunity to householders who have not done so to have their dwellings numbered before February 1st, when the government puts the system in operation.

— Newton *Enterprise*: A man from Asheville has been in the county endeavoring to buy sweet potatoes. He offers to take an unlimited quantity and has been to see a number of the largest potato raisers in the county. He offers 50 cents a bushel for potatoes crated and delivered at the depot. Sweet potatoes are the next best money crop to cotton in this county, and some farmers say there is more money to be made on potatoes at 50 cents a bushel than on cotton at 10 or 12 cents a pound. The money comes in the Spring and always helps business during the Spring months. Some Catawba farmers have from 500 to 1,000 bushels to sell, and a great many from 100 to 300 bushels. —— A Mr. Johnson, a tenant on Mr. John Yoder's Mitchell county farm, is here with a load of cabbage. He says the snow which fell on the 15th, of November has not melted yet, and that the ground has not thawed since that time. The roads on the mountain sides are so slick that they have to put spikes in the horses' shoes to enable them to keep a footing and shoes on the wagon wheels to prevent their running over the horses. —— Some people think we have been having cold weather this winter, but listen to the news from Haywood. Mr. W. A. Campbell writes his brother-in-law, Mr. John Carter, that his mill race, two hundred yards long and fourteen feet deep, is frozen solid. He has been expecting to come to Newton with another carload of mountain stuff, but he is frozen up.

Serpents' Ribs.

King Solomon acknowledged that there were "three things which are too wonderful for me—yea, four which I know not," and one of these was "the way of a serpent upon a rock." For hundreds of years after the time of Solomon the snake's mode of progression remained a mystery. Latter day men of science have learned that his snakeship's ribs furnish him with a means of progression; so instead of having a pair or two pairs of "feet" they really have from 150 to 200 pairs.

Aristotle thought that serpents had as many ribs as there are days in a month, but had he examined a python he would have readily detected his mistake, that species having 400. Snakes move in this way: Each vertebra supports a pair of ribs, which act like a pair of legs, the extremities being connected by a broad plate. The hind part of this plate is free, and when the ribs are moved forward that end is raised, so that it takes hold of the surface underneath, even though it be glass, the straightening of the reptile propelling it forward.

A Story of Bismarck.

When a young man, Bismarck had a quasi connection with the profession of journalism, for he was for quite a time an official reporter for one of the courts of justice. In those days his temper sometimes got the better of him, but upon one occasion at least his wit saved him from disgrace. This was when, questioning a witness, the latter made an impudent retort, whereupon Bismarck exclaimed angrily:

"If you are not more respectful, I shall kick you out of the room."

"Young man," said the judge, interrupting the proceedings, "I would have you understand that this is a dignified court of justice and that if there is any kicking to be done the court will do it."

"Aha, you see?" said Bismarck to the witness. "If you are not more respectful to me, the court will kick you out of the room. So be careful—very careful, sir!"

So many want to know how to kill quack grass in the fields, squirreltail grass on the lawn, burdocks, squash bugs and aphis, borers, cankerworms, chicken mites and flies, how to cure self sucking cows, sick hogs and lousy calves, that it seems as though almost every man on the farm had some trouble or other.

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No. 331, a lady's Coat, made of the best material, full military finish, long Cape, all colors, at $6.98; they have been $10. Our best Coats $16.50. Same Coat, full Silk lined, latest style $12.50 in all colors. Some stores selling them for $20.

No. 381, Black and light Chocolate or Castor Coat, best goods, without Cape, at $5.98; has been selling at $8.

No. 461, A good Coat in latest style at $2.98. We have the box or light back and will guarantee to save you from $2 to $6 on a Coat. I also have a full line of Misses long Coats from 65c to $6.75 each.

Don't forget our 69c Kid Gloves; they are the same other stores charge you $1 and $1.50 for.

MILLINERY.

Our fine Pattern Hats will go at Cost; $10 Hats $7, and $8 Hats for $5, and $5 Hats for $3.50, $16 Hats for $10. Our ready to wear Hats that were $3.75; all reduced to $1.50.

Misses' and Children's Hats that was $1.75 now 75c.

A new line of very fine Furs, something fine for Christmas presents, $1.98, $3.50, $5, $6 and $8.

A new lot of wide Lace Collars 39c, $1, $1.50, $2; the collar with stole effect, Batenburg work; come nearly to waist, for $2.50.

A new lot of fine Skirts to arrive Tuesday, December 15th.

Waist, Stock Collars, Silk Mufflers.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM,

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jan 24 tf

STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business: September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$324,958 54	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 40	Undivided profits	12 232 81
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,936 93	Deposits	342,702 86
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. H. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President

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ONE EXTRA SET OF PLATES GIVEN WITH EVERY DINNER SET SOLD THIS WEEK.

Also special sale of Lamps and Toilet Sets to make room for new goods. Don't miss this sale.

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One fifteen barrel Turpentine Still, Cap, Arm and Worm complete, in good order.

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New stock at old prices. Fancy grades only.

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Is herewith extended to our friends to call at our store and examine our line of useful household ware. The celebrated

Excerpta Drip Coffee Pot.

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Coffee Pots, Tea Pots and Kettles in Spun Copper, Nickel Plated.

ANYTHING YOU NEED IN

Tinware and Stoves.

—SPECIAL AGENTS FOR—

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RED BLISS,

WHITE BLISS,

EARLY ROSE,

MIXED FEED OATS

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jan 13 tf Wilmington, N. C.

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CHOICEST LINE IN THE CITY,

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BETTER & MORE DELICIOUS,

15c per pound.

—STILL BETTER—

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THEIR BEST IN BEAUTIFULLY DESIGNED BOXES.

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Best stock in the city and being received daily.

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No. 204 Princess Street.

Bell 'Phone 680. dec 20 tf

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300 Sacks Seed Potatoes.
100 Cases Gold Dust Powder.
170 Boxes Ark Soap.
50 Boxes Santa Claus Soap.
25 Boxes Toilet Soap.
50 Boxes Riverside Soap.
30 Boxes Brown Borax Soap.

We are prepared to name you lowest cash prices for above goods in five box lots delivered and larger quantities.

STONE & COMPANY

jan 20 tf 5 and 7 South Water Street.

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City	7 43	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.05 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
†6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.

†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 8 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 15 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 31 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 26 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 05 p m	3 03 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 00 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 35 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 56 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 47 p m	2 50 a m
Ar Washington	3 31 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	6 25 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 08 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 30 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 15 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 15 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 8 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	3 25 p m	Ar 12 25 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager. jan 10 tf

Seaboard

Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m, arrives Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 2:15 a m, Pembroke 2:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:02 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m	
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 58 a m	
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....	
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 50 a m	
Ar Greenwood	12 33 p m	3 31 a m	
Ar Athens	2 50 p m	5 55 a m	
Ar Atlanta	8 35 p m	7 30 a m	

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 20 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 40 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 25 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 53 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	6 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 54 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	6 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 18 p m	6 30 p m

"Seaboard Florida Limited."

SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 23 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	9 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (S. T.)	7 54 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 39 a m
Ar Savannah	1 30 p m
Ar Thalmann	11 24 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 39 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 50 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Thalmann	2 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	9 30 p m
Lv Columbia (S. T.)	9 35 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	2 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 53 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest. For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to

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NAVAHOE.....Saturday, Feb. 6
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CARIB.....Tuesday, Feb. 3
NAVAHOE.....Tuesday, Feb 9

Both Steamers have good Passenger accommodation.

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FOR SALE.

I own sixty building lots in the Southern portion of the City of Wilmington which I will sell for cash, prices ranging from $30 to $35. I will give warranty deeds for same. For further particulars you may see my attorney, Geo. H. Howell, at 113½ Princess street.

dec 27 1m MARY McL. HARRISS.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31.

SITUATION IN FAR EAST STILL VERY CRITICAL.

Japan Without Information Concerning Character of Russia's Forthcoming Note—Reports Discredited.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

TOKIO, Jan. 30.—The government, it is said, does not possess any Russian information concerning the character of the forthcoming note, though it has received various reports, the majority of which say the reply will be satisfactory. None, however, emanate from a source which warrants their full acceptance as correct. In the judgment of many just now the character of the note does not warrant the belief that Count Lamsdorf, the Russian foreign minister, has given out the slightest intimation of its contents. Even that carries little assurance, for the Russian and Japanese conceptions of what constitutes a fair bargain vary materially. The government of Japan does not anticipate the reception of the Russian reply for a few days. When it comes it will probably be considered by the throne in conference with the cabinet and elder statesmen. The presumption that Russia has made concessions does not in the least warrant the conclusion that there will be a peaceful settlement of the existing difficulties. Her entire proposition will be carefully scrutinized and every condition and contingency of the situation closely weighed. If the reply should prove to be completely unsatisfactory to Japan the outcome of the conference is manifest. Should it give partial satisfaction an exchange of notes is possible although there remains slight room for additional diplomacy.

In Event of War.

LONDON, Jan. 30.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from St. Petersburg says the transportation of merchandise over the trans-Siberian railroad will be stopped after February 2 in order to leave the line open for the conveyance of troops and stores.

The dispatch adds that War Minister Kuropatkin will be appointed to command the Russian land forces in the event of war with Japan.

LONDON, Jan. 30.—The Foreign Office, referring to the cablegram from Minister Griscom, at Tokio, to the State Department at Washington, said to-day:

"The British ambassador at St. Petersburg did not express an opinion as to whether or not the Russian reply would be satisfactory to Japan."

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 30.—"It will be astonishing if Japan remains inflexible," were the significant words of an official of the Foreign Office to the Associated Press this afternoon in speaking of the Russian response to the Japanese proposals, which will be dispatched to Tokio next week. The remark was not intended to convey the idea that Japan necessarily will accept the full details of the Russian propositions, but rather, if she is actuated by a sincere desire to preserve peace, Russia will offer a reasonable basis in a modus vivendi.

MRS. MAYBRICK RELEASED.

American Woman Serving a Life Sentence in a Prison in England for Having Poisoned Her Husband.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—*Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper* says this morning that Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American woman who was serving a life sentence for having poisoned her husband, was released from the Aylesbury female convict prison at 6:45 o'clock on the morning of January 25th on special license. Her mother, the paper says, had visited her Saturday January 23rd, and evidently was the bearer of important news. The governor of the prison on Sunday conferred with the prison officials with a view to arranging for the departure of the prisoner, which was carried out very quietly. Mrs. Maybrick, accompanied by one of the prison matrons, entered a closed carriage and drove to Aylesbury station, where she took a train for London. She drove from Euston station to a private house not far from the metropolis. She will remain there for a short period to recuperate and to await the completion of certain formalities which will give her a freedom of movement not allowed to persons on ordinary ticket-of-leave.

Mrs. Maybrick, the paper concludes, during the last few months in prison was employed in the lightest work as a reward for good conduct.

Florence Maybrick, the daughter of the late W. G. Chandler, a banker of Mobile, Ala., was convicted at Liverpool, in 1889, of having poisoned her husband, James Maybrick, a cotton broker, who lived part of the time in Norfolk and part in Liverpool. She was sentenced to death. This sentence, however, was later commuted to life imprisonment. Many efforts have been made during Mrs. Maybrick's imprisonment to have her pardoned, and it was announced on March 23rd, 1903, on authority of the Home Office, that she would be released in 1904.

NEW YORK BANKS.

Statement of Clearing House Averages for the Past Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—The statement of averages of Clearing House Banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans $994,551,100, increase $29,487,200; deposits $1,023,993,800, increase $37,640,800; circulation $42,739,000, decrease $402,200; legal tenders $75,637,500, decrease $1,803,100; specie $206,477,500, increase $10,369,600; reserve $281,115,000, increase $8,465,800; reserve required $255,985,950, increase $9,410,125; surplus $25,129,050, decrease $943,425; ex-U. S. deposits $34,853,800, decrease $935,450.

Wonderful Nerve

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there is no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It is the best salve on earth for piles, too. Only 25c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR IN ROANOKE, VA.

Married Woman Assaulted in Her Home and Her Throat Cut by a Negro Man.

CHILD KNOCKED IN THE HEAD

Both Will Probably Die—Citizens Greatly Excited—Crowd Watching the Jail. Precautions Taken by Mayor. Military Assembled.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROANOKE, VA., Jan. 30.—When George J. Shields, a well known young business man, reached his home in the heart of the city at the luncheon hour to-day he found his three-year old daughter Mildred lying in a pool of blood on the reception hall floor with two ugly wounds on her head. Following blood stains from the dining room to an upstairs chamber he found his wife lying in pools of blood on a clothes closet floor with her throat cut from ear to ear and her head horribly hacked. Mrs. Shields managed to gasp "a large black negro man came through the kitchen and attacked me in the dining room."

Besides this there is no clue to the criminal.

Mrs. Shields had been outraged, and her assailant dealt her several blowson the head with a hatchet, fracturing her skull, dragged her up stairs, where he cut her throat with a razor and threw her into the closet, fastening the door on the outside. The little girl was struck to hush her cries. The dining room floor was covered with blood and showed there had been a terrible struggle. The doctors entertain but slight hopes for the recovery of either the mother or child.

Ever since the discovery of the tragedy a large crowd of citizens has been in the vicinity of the city jail watching to see if the officers carry any one into the building. At 8 o'clock to-night this crowd numbered more than 1,000 men.

Mayor Cutchin has ordered Captain Francis, of the Roanoke Blues military company, to assemble his men as a precautionary measure.

By order of the mayor, all the saloons were closed at 8 o'clock to-night.

While Judge John Wood, of the Corporation Court, was pleading from the jail steps with the throng in the street to preserve order, some one in the crowd hurled a beer bottle at him. The missile barely missed its mark.

At 11 o'clock the crowd had dispersed.

SCHAEFER MURDER AT BEDFORD, IND.

Mystery Unsolved—Authorities Searching for Clews—Much Unimportant Testimony—Conductor's Story.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BEDFORD, IND., Jan. 30.—The court of inquiry investigating the Schaefer murder to-day heard more evidence on the letters received by Miss Schaefer. One of the witnesses declared that dozens of times after school closed at noon Miss Schaefer ran to her room for her mail, eagerly read the letters and immediately destroyed them.

Conductor Moore, of the Monon, told the detectives of a strange passenger he carried on his train which left Bedford for Louisville the morning after the murder. This passenger was a tall man with steel grey eyes and a reddish mustache. He seemed excited. This description fits the man who left the Park Hotel suddenly the morning after the murder.

The report of the Louisville expert, who made an examination of the hairs found clutched in the hand of the dead girl, has been received here in official form for record. The expert finds that the hairs were torn from the head of a human being, no doubt a man, who was white.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. Jan. 30.—Indianapolis detectives are working today on information here by Sheriff Smith. The young man who was a friend of Miss Love, Miss Schaefer's room mate, and who lives in a fashionable part of this city, has been closeted with the detectives to-day.

Dr. Emma Collop, a physician, gave the detectives some additional information to-day, but she said it was not important. The detectives here are reticent concerning their interview with Dr. Collop. Captain Kinney said he sent men to investigate the clues given by Sheriff Smith and he said it did not take long to satisfy the detectives that there was nothing in them.

WARM WIRELETS

On account of the extreme fluctuations in cotton commission houses, brokers in New York would not consider an order yesterday without the deposit of a margin of five dollars a bale. Some were asking ten dollars. The usual margin in ordinary times is one dollar.

Miss Nannie Bryan, sister of Wm. J. Bryan, died yesterday at Lincoln, Neb. Her brother was on his way from Chicago and had been making a race against time ever since he left the East in order to reach his sister's bedside before the end came.

Fire started by the explosion of chemicals in the large silk mill of Ashley & Bailey at Paterson, N. J., employing 1,500 hands, destroying the entire plant. The loss is estimated at $300,000, partly covered by insurance.

Plans have been completed for the $12,000 rifle range on the naval reservation at Pensacola, Fla. It is hoped by the authorities to have this six hundred yard range sufficiently advanced in construction for the use in March of naval vessels of the North and South Atlantic fleets and the European squadron when these vessels are in Pensacola harbor for target practice.

The Democratic senators were in conference for three hours yesterday on the Bacon resolution instructing the President to effect an adjustment of the claims of Colombia against the United States on account of the Panama revolt. A number of speeches were made but no decision was reached, and it was announced that another meeting would be held next week.

— Shores—I understand she has quite a reputation as a writer. Weeks—Yes, typewriter.—*Houston Chronicle.*

Will you need any silk this Spring? If so, buy of Polvogt's, they have a silk sale. †

Read advertisement of The Polvogt Co. special bargain sale of silks this week.

THE HOUSE DISCUSSED THE MILEAGE PROBLEM.

Voted Unanimously to Strike Out Provision for Second Payment of Mileage to Members of Congress

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The House to-day voted unanimously to strike from the Urgent Deficiency bill the provisions for the second payment of mileage to the senators and representatives of this Congress and then passed the Urgent Deficiency appropriation bill. This action was the climax to an exciting discussion of the mileage problem, begun yesterday, first on a point of order raised against the provision by Mr. Maddox of Georgia, then on a motion to strike out, made to-day by Mr. Underwood of Alabama.

Argument on the point of order that it was not authorized by law, turned on the question of whether this was the second session of Congress or merely a continuation of the session convened November 9th on the call of the President. Messrs. Fuller of Illinois and Cooper of Wisconsin contended that there had been two sessions, while Mr. Parker, New Jersey, insisted that because new sanction had been given for the meeting on December 7, the status of the session, which he held to be continuous, was not altered. Mr. Littlefield supplemented his argument by reaffirming that there been no interregnum between the two sessions. Mr. Tawney, of Minnesota, as chairman of the committee of the whole, in a carefully prepared opinion overruled the point of order against the appropriation, saying the parliamentary question as to whether existing law authorized the payment of mileage was the point to be decided by him, and the question as to whether the mileage should be received was for the committee to decide.

An amendment by Mr. Grosvenor, providing for the return of the mileage to the treasury, was agreed to and Mr. Underwood's motion to strike out the provision for mileage was adopted without a dissenting vote. The result was loudly cheered.

Deep interest was manifested in the determination of the question, and there were but few absentees when the House convened.

During the debate Mr. Parker insisted that there was nothing to warrant the drawing of mileage for travel in 3,000 miles during the period that the clock was striking twelve. He said that the House had talked of horses and carriages used by the several government departments, and made the point that it would be inconsistent to allow a fictitious construction on the mileage item.

Mr. Livingston, of Georgia, called attention to the fact that the House, on meeting December 7th, had notified the President and Senate of its assemblage. Why was that done, he inquired, if this was a continuous session?

Mr. Parker replied that it was desired to take every precaution, reaffirming his contention, however, that the House could not adjourn the November session without concurrent resolution.

Mr. Maddox said he should vote against taking mileage. He declared that Congress was duly bound to set examples of economy to the government departments.

On a viva voce vote Mr. Underwood's motion was declared lost, but tellers were demanded.

Immediately both Republican and Democratic members arose and all started for the tellers. The scene provoked laughter and applause and as the crowd in front of the Speaker's desk grew denser there were demands to "call off the tellers and make it unanimous." When all had passed and been counted in favor of striking out the mileage, those opposed were asked to vote, but not a single member responded. There was more laughter and applause, and the chair announced that 167 votes had been cast in the affirmative and none in the negative.

The Deficiency bill was passed without division, just as it came from the committee of the whole.

A concurrent resolution, accepting the statue of James Marquette, missionary and explorer, and providing that it remain in statuary hall in the capitol, and extending the thanks of Congress to the people of Wisconsin was passed.

The House adjourned until Monday.

SECRETARY HAY'S VIEWS.

In Regard to the War Crisis in the Far East and the Probable Effect of a Conflict on Prices of Products.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

THOMASVILLE, GA., Jan. 30.—Secretary of State John Hay was this afternoon asked for a statement in regard to the rumored settlement of the war crisis in the Far East.

"I never discuss matters of this kind away from Washington," he said, "but I do not think the information is definite enough to call for any formal expression of opinion at this time from me. It is probable that Japan has received the communication from Russia which is pointed to as the basis of the rumored settlement, and in the natural course of events it will not be known for a week or more whether the amended provision will meet Japan's approval. If one country has determined upon war, of course war will be unavoidable. In international relations, it does not require two to make a quarrel, and aggressive action on the part of either of the parties at issue will naturally precipitate a conflict.

Mr. Hays was asked what effect on the cotton and wheat markets of this country a declaration of war in the East would produce, and replied:

"I do not believe that it would have any effect whatever upon either the size of next season's crops or the prices these products will bring in the markets of the world."

"Do you think a Russo-Japanese war would increase the output or consumption of these commodities?"

"I do not think it would."

"I suppose you noticed in to-day's papers the announcement that Colombia proposes sending an expedition against Panama."

"Really, I never discuss matters of this sort away from Washington. I hope, however, that Colombia will realize that such an attempt must be useless and needless. The status of Panama is too well recognized to admit of its subjection now to Colombia."

Mr. Hay asked with quite a show of interest for the latest news from Gen. Reyes, and as to whether or not he was still in the country. The secretary referred to the position of certain Southern newspapers favoring the Panama canal, and declared it the sensible view, as well as the best advised from a purely party standpoint.

"The State Department," he said, "does not play politics. Any question before this branch of the government is considered from a national standpoint and its effect on the whole country's interests."

Millinery at cost this week at Polvogt's. †

NEW YORK COTTON BROKERS FAILURE

A. B. Baxter & Company, Incorporated, Assign for Benefit of Creditors.

FAILURE CAUSED SENSATION.

Suspension Said to Have Resulted from the Short Interest in Cotton Held by Firm's Customers Who Failed to Make Margins Good.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A. B. Baxter & Company, incorporated, have offices in this city at 61 Broadway, where it was said the corporation did a general brokerage business in stocks, bonds and cotton. An assignment was made to-day for the benefit of the corporation's creditors. The company, of which A. B. Baxter was president and Felix Lipp secretary, was incorporated in 1902.

John F. McIntyre, of Cantor, Adams & McIntyre, attorney for the assignee, says of the suspension that it results from the short interest in cotton held by a number of the firm's customers who failed to respond to calls for extra margins. The firm's embarrassment, Mr. McIntyre says, will probably be only temporary. He has no idea at this time of the liability.

The firm claims to have a capital of $460,090, and has numerous branch offices throughout the South. It had an extensive leased wire system.

Mr. McIntyre says that the corporation was not a member of any of the New York exchanges, but was represented on many out-of-town exchanges, including, he thinks, the Chicago Board of Trade and the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. The corporation had over 100 branch offices, and, according to Mr. McIntyre, its $300,000 of capital was actually paid in. He added that the liabilities are certain to exceed $100,000, but he could not say how much beyond that figure they may go. He said further that it will take twenty days in which to prepare schedules of their assets and liabilities.

Atlanta Office Closed.

ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 30.—Following an order issued to-day by the New York office of A. B. Baxter & Company, cotton brokers, the local office of that concern posted a notice to-day stating that the Atlanta office had assigned. Nothing official could be learned here as to the reason for the suspension, but it is probably due to the sharp break in cotton yesterday. It was stated by the Atlanta manager that all trades made for the day and those pending would be settled at the close of the market to-day.

Baxter & Company had only recently bought out Murphy & Company, incorporated, one of the largest stock brokerage companies in the country, and had reached a capitalization of $100,000. The notice of the failure created a sensation. The defunct company controlled a chain of 135 offices, from New York to New Orleans.

Lost $100,000 a Day.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30.—Unofficial announcement was made on the floor of the Cotton Exchange of the closing of the house of A. B. Baxter & Company here to-day. Baxter & Company is one of the largest commission houses in the country, with branches in many cities. The offices here were closed before noon. The violent fluctuations in the cotton market are said to be responsible for their trouble.

Baxter & Company is the firm which instituted the litigation here in the effort to prevent the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges from cutting off their quotations. An injunction was issued and the Western Union Telegraph Company was forced to continue to serve customers throughout the country even if those customers were unrepresented in either cotton exchange.

On the boards of the company here the following notice was posted: "A. B. Baxter & Company have assigned. All trades will be closed out at the close of the market to-day."

It is not supposed that the firm lost much money here, but through the middle South it is estimated that they have been losing $100,000 a day for some time past against the long side of the cotton market.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Jan. 30.—The Birmingham office of Baxter & Company, brokers and commission merchants, was closed to-day by orders from headquarters. The local manager was surprised at the step, but says he supposed it was due to their recent position on the cotton market. The firm did a large business here.

RALEIGH, Jan. 30.—Shortly after the local offices of A. B. Baxter & Company closed here on orders from New York, the parties who had put orders with them here attached the funds in the bank, the amount being about two thousand dollars.

MACON, GA., Jan. 30.—Paul H. Watson, manager for A. B. Baxter & Company in Macon, says to-night the liabilities of his branch will, he thinks, approximate $40,000. No legal action by parties affected had been taken at a late hour.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Notice of the assignment of A. B. Baxter & Company was received here to-day by Charles H. Cameron, manager of the local office. Mr. Cameron has a telegram from W. W. Venesti, of Pittsburg, general manager of the company. Mr. Cameron says the company's losses will be more than $2,000,000.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Jan. 30.—John E. O'Donnell, local manager for A. B. Baxter & Company, closed his office shortly after noon to-day, when notification of the failure was received from the home office. The losses here are trivial.

— Some very fine furniture has been shipped to Raleigh from High Point, sent by the furniture factories there, to be exhibited at the exposition at St. Louis, as a part of the State's exhibit. Commissioner Brimley says it is the purpose to get all the exhibits from this State shipped within the next thirty days and that they will all be sent as near together as possible. They will fill about ten cars.

ALL FOR 94 CTS.

UNLUCKY CORNER

3 lbs Granulated Sugar	15
1 lb Roasted & Ground Laguayra	25
1 Insurance Match Safe	50
1 Can Table Peaches	25
1 Can Tomatoes	10
1 lb Imported Maccaroni	15
1 lb Cream Cheese	20
	$1 60

Only one lot to a customer, while it lasts.

S. W. SANDERS.

Both Phone 109. jan 17 tf

NEW STOCK

THE WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD AND LOAN ASSOCIATION WILL OPEN ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SERIES OF STOCK ON FEBRUARY SIXTH.

Subscription books now open.—It helps you save money, make money, buy your own home. For stock apply to the Secretary or any of the Directors.

DIRECTORS:

J. C. STEVENSON, President. H. C. McQUEEN, Vice President.
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O. M. Fillyaw, J. Hicks Bunting, W. C. Peterson, Wm. Goodman.
C. C. Brown, Secretary.

Attorney, J. D. Bellamy. jan 31 1t

The Place To Buy 'Em

Is Where They Have 'Em, and we have got 'Em. Dolges Velvet and Felt Slipps were $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50, now 85c and $1.00.

Solomon's Shoe Store.

jan 31 tf

Good Luck Deal.

We offer one of the best deals on Good Luck Baking Powder that has ever been put on the market. Car expected to arrive within the next ten days. This offer for limited time only. If our salesman doesn't reach you in time, write us for particulars.

D. L. GORE CO.,

Wholesale Grocers and Importers,

jan 31 tf 118 to 125 North Water St., Wilmington, N. C.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Terms positively cash in advance

For Sale—Beautiful Scotch Collie puppies. Also grown dogs. Registered stock. Dr. J. Morrill, Falkland, N. C. su jan 31 5t*

Traveller Wanted—For country trade; state age, reference and salary expected. El Padre Cigar Co., St. Louis, Mo. jan 31 1t*

Notice—To-day cars will leave Front and Princess streets for Ocean View at 1:30, 2:30 and 3 P. M., returning, will leave Ocean View at 2, 4:45 and 5:30 P. M. Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Company. jan 31 1t

Reduced prices on wood. Beginning Monday morning, February 1st, we reduce the price of wood ten per cent. First class lump coal $6.00 per per, second class lump coal $5.00 per to . We promise to protect all our patrons in prices when quality is considered. J. A. Springer & Co. jan 31 2t

Lost, strayed or stolen—White setter pup with black mark across both ears; about six weeks old. Reward if returned to Capt. Haywood Clark, 520 Market street. jan 31 1t*

Sisters in despair—Speedy relief. Abnormal suppression any cause. Write for remedy. Safe, sure. Dr. Martha Walker Co., 163 State, Chicago. jan 31 1t*

Board Wanted—Gentleman and wife desire good board in desirable locality. References exchanged. Address, X. Y. Z., care STAR. jan 31 1t

For Sale—Greenfield Mill property, suitable for grinding corn; dye works; paper making [illegible] manufacturing up to forty horse power. W. H. Springer. jan 24 3t su we fr

Our Prices—Lemons 15 cents per dozen, 2 dozen for 25 cents; apples 10c dozen, 40c per peck; Oranges 25c per dozen; Bananas 5c per dozen, all nice yellow stock at Fairies', 109 North Front street. P. S.—Finest bread on earth, our Washington bread, sold by us 5¼ cent loaf, 20 loafs for $1. jan 29 tf

Wanted—Special representative in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established business house of solid financial standing. Salary $21 weekly, with expenses, advanced each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address Blew Brothers, 600 Monon Building, Chicago, Ill. jan 26 8t

The Only Restaurant is prepared to accommodate any number for breakfast, dinner and supper at the reasonable price of 25 cents each meal. Also special attention given to short orders at any time, day or night. ja 26 tf

100 Bushels Wood's Early Fall Crop Seed Irish Potatoes, $1.00 per Bushel. W. J. Meredith. jan 23 6t

Wanted at Virginia House—Steady, sober gentlemen boarders. No others need apply. 118 Market street, over Taylor's Bazaar. dec 30 1m*

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. B. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 30 1t

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

For Sale—Finest Berkshires. Three brood sows, two of them bred to farrow in March, two 7 months gilts, two 7 months boars, five sucking boar pigs, two boars 13 months old. Bargains in each lot till January 1st. L. L. Seller, Wilmington, N. C. dec 6 3 mos.

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Cabbage, Apples, Onions, Irish Potatoes, Eggs and all kinds of produce at A. S. Winstead's to-day, 213 Market street. Both 'Phones. sep 5 tf

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Offices for rent in The Worth Building—the most convenient business location in the city. Modern equipment. Apply to The Worth Co. feb 18 tf

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping paper, for sale at reduced prices, in quantities. Apply at the office of THE MORNING STAR. je 21 tf

Foreclosure Sale.

By virtue of the provisions of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by George H. James to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, recorded in Book No. 38, page 274, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover County in Wilmington on the 8th day of February, 1904, the following described lot of land in said city: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Wooster street, runs thence east parallel with Wooster street 55 feet, thence South parallel with Seventh street 66 feet; thence West parallel with Wooster street 55 feet; thence north with the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION, by
jan 17 20t JOHN D. BELLAMY, Attorney.

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in a special proceeding pending therein between Edgar Miller and wife, Nancy Miller, Olivia Waddell and Sophie Miller, plaintiffs, and John Rhew alias John Miller and Lucy Rhew alias Lucy Miller, defendants, the undersigned Commissioner will expose for sale, to the highest bidder for cash, on Monday, the 8th of February, 1904 at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, the following described property: Beginning at the southeast corner of block 284 runs thence westwardly with the line of the north side of Fanning street 198½ feet; thence north and parallel with Anderson street 66 feet; thence East parallel with Fanning street 198½ feet; thence south along the said line on Anderson street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 284. T. E. BROWN,
jan 7 4w th sa Commissioner.

Climax Barber Shop.

During the year 1903 there was a large increase in our business, for which we tender our thanks to our numerous patrons. During 1904 we expect to make our banner year.

We have five chairs and all other facilities needed in a first-class Barber Shop.

GUION & DAVIS,
jan 8 tf 7 South Front street.

ARE YOUR LUNGS WORTH 50 Cts?

Why do you cough and hack, feel "all broke up" among your friends, and probably lose needed rest at night, when a dose of

Hall's Emulsion Petroleum Comp.,

With Benzoin, will give you almost immediate relief, and a bottle probably cure you completely? We get testimonials almost daily to the value of this remedy. 'Phone us and we will send you a bottle, and if after taking one bottle you should feel dissatisfied return empty bottle and we will refund your money cheerfully.

JAMES M. HALL,

PHARMACIST.

Cor. 5th and Castle Sts., Wilmington, N. C.
Jan 24 tf.

New Attractions!

PICKLED PIGS PORK JUICY AND DELICIOUS.

All kinds of Fine Cheese, Imported and Domestic.

All kinds of Coffee—green, parched and ground—from importations of Chase & Sanborn, E. J. Gillies & Co., Leggett and others.

Goods always fresh, the finest selections and the largest assortment.

WILMINGTON GROCERY CO.,

JNO. L. BOATWRIGHT, Manager,
'Phone No. 14. jan 24 tf

PIC-NIC HAMS.

2,500 Pounds Pic-Nic Hams, 7c

1,100 Pounds Regular Hams, 10c

W. B. COOPER,

Wholesale Grocer,

308, 310 and 312 Nutt St.,

jan 22 tf Wilmington, N. C.

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, } In the Superior Court.

Joseph Turner and Emma Turner, vs.

Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner.

It being made to appear, by affidavit in this cause, that the defendants above named, Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner, are non-residents of this State and cannot, after due diligence, be found in this State; that a cause of action exists in favor of the plaintiffs against the defendants in that they are necessary parties to this action, the same being for a partition of a lot of land in the City of Wilmington, described in the partition filed in this cause owned by the parties hereto as tenants in common, and heirs at law of Emeline Jarvis.

Now let the defendants, Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner, be and appear before me at my office, in the Court House in Wilmington, N. C., on the 1st day of February, 1904 and answer or demur to the complaint this day filed in this cause, or judgment will be granted against them according to the prayer of the complaint.

Dated this the 19th day of December, 1903.

JOHN D. TAYLOR,
Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover Court. su dec 20 6t

Rates for Sewer Service

Water Closets - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Kitchen Sinks - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Bath Tubs - - - - 50 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Wash Basins 25 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Laundry Tubs 50c per quarter, per set

We carry our pipes to your property line without charge, and rates do not go into effect until service is rendered.

The Wilmington Sewerage Co.

jy 19 tf

EXTRA EARLY PEAS.

A large stock Extra Early Peas and other Seed on hand. Call or write and get my prices.

HARDIN'S

Palace Pharmacy,

126 South Front Street.

jan 20 tf Both 'Phones 55

Tax Notice.

Am now attaching wages and after February 1st will begin to levy on Personal Property to satisfy unpaid City Taxes for 1903.

Pay now and avoid costs and annoyance.

B. F. KING,
jan 21 6t City Tax Collector.

A Gigantic Peremptory Sale

OF NEW CRISP MERCHANDISE.

Price no Object

Sale Begins Wednesday, February 3rd, and Last Ten Days.

THE GRANDEST SALE EVER HAPPENED.

DON'T FORGET THE DATE.

We also name a few of our many Bargains below.

Lot No. 1—500 ladies' ready-to-wear hats, a 50c value, that will be sold in this big sale at the price. Only 10c.

Lot No. 3—Clothing, Boys' and Men's, all marked down.

Big Red Banners to cover our large store.

Men's kid gloves, silk lined; our $1 gloves to be sold in this sale at 69c per pair.

A large table cover, 35c value, this sale 15c.

A good wooden handle dipper. This sale 4c.

Wine glasses. This sale 18c per set.

A good broom to be sold at 13c.

Soap, 5 cakes for 4c.

Our regular 25c linen towels. This sale 19c.

Our store will be closed all day Tuesday, February 2nd, in order to arrange and mark down our entire stock.

500 dozen men's fleece lined shirts, 50c value. This sale, 38c.

Lot No. 2 — Menen's Talcum Powder 10c, but only one box to a customer. Allen's Talcum Powder 4 cents.

Lot No. 4—We will sell all of our light calicoes in this big sale at 4½ cents.

Watch for our large hand bills.

5,000 yards of Batist at 10c value. This sale will go at 5 cents.

Here it is! Pretty Piques, colored and white, at 12½c, value 9 cents.

Dotted Curtain Swiss, 15c value 9 cents.

1 lot of Buttons, 3c dozen. 1 lot of Basting Cotton, 1c yd.

Special—Half gallon Tin Buckets, 5 cents.

Our Shoe Department is marked away down. Don't miss those 69c Shoes, worth $2 and $2.50.

Think of this, No. 40 Satin Ribbon, big value, to be sold 9c yd.

Carpet and Matting Tacks. This sale 3 boxes for 5c.

A good Rolling Curtain for 9c.

Watch and wait for our large hand bills.

IT WILL START ON FEBRUARY 3RD AND END FEBRUARY 13TH,

and the place is the Big Racket Store

Geo. O. Gaylord,

jan 31 tf PROPRIETOR.

A Strength Builder!

Makes Muscle, Helps Health

Darley Park Brewery EXTRA Pale Beer.

A Rich Malt and Hop Beverage.

Superior as a Table Drink. Mail or 'Phone orders promptly served.

John M. Wright,

DISTRIBUTING AGENT,

jan 31 4t 319 Nutt Street.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY,

No. 9 North Front Street.

Greatest Silk Values we Have Ever Offered.

We have given great values at our other silk sales, but during this sale, we will offer even greater inducements, and below print a partial list of those we have on display. A Silk Department like this one is not the result of luck or haphazard buying. Every yard of goods in it has to stand our test for quality, and here's a chance to buy some of them for less than ever before.

$1.50 quality 36-inch warranted Black Taffetta Silk, special for this week's sale only $1.20 per yard.
$1.25 quality 36-inch every yard warranted Black Taffetta Silk, over 300 yards to sell this week for $1.00 per yard.
$1.25 quality of Peau-de-soie, rich black good quality, suitable for Costumes, special this week 98c.
$1.50 extra quality Black Peau-de-soie, warranted to wear, a regular this week at $1.25 per yard.
$1.25 quality Armour Silk suitable for Mourning Dresses, all silk, special bargain price of 89c per yd.
$1.00 quality Armour all silk, special for 80c per yd.
59c all Black Taffetta, suits for Linings, Special this week's sale only 49c.
Honeymoon Silk, warranted to wear for lining special price this week for 50c per yard.
$1.00 quality two toned satin duchesses fine qual ty, all silk special bargain price of 79c per yd.
$1.00 and 75c odd lengths of Fancy Waist Silk. In this assortment you will find some of the best bargains we have offered in some time special price of 49c per yard.
85c. Taffetta Silk, the best Taffetta silk on the market, have them in all colors, special this week 69c, per yard.
85c quality of Liberty Satin in all shades, special price this week 69c per yard.
50c. Wash Silk, 20 pieces to select from, special price of 39c. per yard this week.

The prices quoted above are strictly cash prices. We will give our coupon checks on all cash items this week.

The C. W. Polvogt Co.

jan 31 tf

Smart Shoes for Men!

Banister's Kids, Pat. Kids and Colts, Box Calfs, Bals, Button, Bluchers and Cong., $5, $5.50 and $6. Selz Profecto Kids $3. Also, Selz Royal Blue Kids, Box Calf, Velour Calf, Bals and Bluchers $3.50.

These are trade winners that you will appreciate if you try them.

Geo. R. French & Sons.

jan 31 tf

Men of Refinement

Will never wear anything but Clothing that is made by a first class tailor because they will have nothing but the best, and they get it when they come to us, as our goods are the best imported and our workmanship cannot be improved upon. We have the swellest line of Shirts, Neckwear, Underwear, etc., in the city.

M. H. Curran,

Merchant Tailor and

jan 24 tf Men's Furnisher, next door to Orton Hotel.